Opticianry
Career Technical Training Area

Health Care Career Pathway
Opticianry

The Job Corps Opticianry career training program takes 8 to 12 months to complete and requires training in the following subject areas:

- **Analyzing and interpreting prescriptions**
  - Recognize and interpret ophthalmic disorders.
  - Detect irregularities.
  - Recognize limitations of the prescription relative to the customer's/patient's practical application of the product by determining the relationship between prescription and the customer's/patient's needs.

- **Fitting and dispensing spectacles and other ophthalmic devices**
  - Patient history – reviewing and verifying existing. records, assessing previous eyewear use, comparing previous and current prescriptions.
  - Determine frame and lens type.
  - Take necessary facial, ocular and frame measurements.

- **Ophthalmic tools, instruments, and equipment**
  - Operate equipment (e.g., neutralize lenses, lay out and edge lenses, treat lenses, assemble and adjust product) within the confines of accepted occupational safety and health standards to produce a product that is complete and correct.
  - Maintain equipment by following a routine maintenance schedule.
  - Compute and analyze ophthalmic data by applying formula, performing computations, and interpreting ophthalmic measurements.

Certification:
Students who complete a Job Corps training program are eligible to receive a nationally recognized certificate of completion.

Steps to certification:
Before completing an Opticiany training program, students should:

- Have the basic math and reading skills necessary to perform the job.
- Complete the core curriculum and pass all written and performance tests.
- Be 18 years old.
- Have a high school diploma or equivalent.

Average length of training:
8 to 12 months

The salary range for various careers in Opticiany is:
$29,000 to $43,000/year

THE BENEFITS OF JOB CORPS
Industry-recognized certification • Hands-on training and internships • Housing, meals, and basic medical care • Earn while you learn: Biweekly living allowance • Administered by the U.S. Dept. of Labor

What is Job Corps?
- **A residential career training program**
- **Your path to a career in a high-growth industry**
- **A place to earn your high school diploma or GED**
- **Career counseling and support after graduation**

Career Technical Training programs vary at different Job Corps centers.

Administered by the U.S. Department of Labor, Job Corps is the nation's largest career technical training and education program for students ages 16 through 24. Job Corps is a U.S. Department of Labor Equal Opportunity Employer Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. TDD/TTY telephone number is (877) 889-5627.